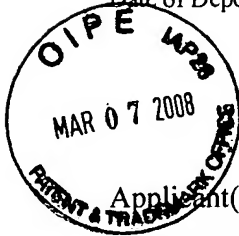


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Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby makes of record the documents listed on the enclosed modified Form 1449/PTO (submitted in duplicate) in the above-identified application, which were cited in an European Search Report, mailing date January 31, 2008, from a corresponding European patent application No. EP 06 25 5938.

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